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Weather Safety



Kansas

Lightning Safety

- Watch for developing thunderstorms and be ready to act when thunder is heard.
- Lightning can strike as far as 10 miles from an area where it is raining. That's about the distance you can hear thunder.

If you can hear thunder, you are within striking distance. Seek safe shelter IMMEDIATELY!

Safe Shelter = Enclosed building, a home or your vehicle with windows rolled up.

- **Outdoor Activities:** Minimize the risk of being struck by moving indoors or to vehicles at the first roar of thunder.
- **Wait 30 minutes after the last roar of thunder before going outside again.**
- **Inside Activities:** Things to avoid
 - Electrical equipment
 - Indoor/Outdoor pools
 - Tubs and showers and other things connected to metal plumbing
- **Help a Lightning Victim:** Call 911 and get help immediately. You are in no danger when helping a lightning victim. The charge will not affect you.



When Thunder Roars, Go Indoors!